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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,210,000

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LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH: INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 10,000,000
STEERING RESERVE \$10,000,000
SILVER RESERVE \$10,000,000
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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital " 324,374

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:—
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Chow Tung Shing, Esq., J. Laus, Esq.,
Chief Manager.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [15]

THE DEUTSCHE ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000
HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kiautschou).

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INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [16]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE IN FLATS.

No. 4, RIFON TERRACE.
No. 15, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD, facing Race Course.

FLATS IN MORETON TERRACE, facing Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWN No. 3A, BLUE BUILDINGS.
GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [1434]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

* Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [1458]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON: REMARKS.

LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, MANILA About 24th } Freight and
COLOMBO, PORT SAID and H.G.H. Lewellon, R.M.R. } December } Passage.
MALTA

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
Also
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.
KONIG ALBERT WEDNESDAY, 23rd December.
KTAUTSCHOU WEDNESDAY, 6th January, 1904.
BAYERN WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.
SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.
GERA WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.
SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.
PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 16th March, 1904.
ROON WEDNESDAY, 30th March, 1904.
HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 13th April, 1904.
PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1904.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "KONIG ALBERT," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain C. Polack, with MAELS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 21st instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS. [563c]

Hongkong, 9th December, 1903.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR GOODS!

Fancy Leather Goods in Great Variety.

DECORATIVE TABLE GLASSWARE.

PRETTY DESSERT SERVICES.

DOLLS AND TOYS.

TOM SMITH'S AND CALEY'S CRACKERS.

CROSSE AND BLACKWELL'S XMAS PUDDINGS!!

HUNTLEY AND PALMER'S XMAS CAKES!!

MUSCATELS. FIGS. METZ FRUITS.

ELVAS AND CARLSBAD PLUMS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1903. [737c]

THOMAS' HOTEL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, comfortably furnished, and most centrally situated, being in close proximity to the Banks and principal business places. TERMS VERY MODERATE.

For Particulars apply to

THE MANAGER.

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(Late HING KEE HOTEL.)

This FAVOURITE and LONG ESTABLISHED Hotel is situated on the SEA-FRONT commanding a MAGNIFICENT VIEW of the Harbour and adjacent islands, and is open to the COOL SOUTHERLY BREEZES in Summer.

The BED-ROOMS are LARGE, COOL, AIRY, WELL-VENTILATED and HANDSOMELY FURNISHED. The CUISINE is EXCELLENT and under direct EUROPEAN supervision.

PIC-NIC, SHOOTING or BOATING parties specially catered for. A commodious and comfortable stern-wheel HOUSE-BOAT, with sleeping accommodation for six passengers and EVERY CONVENIENCE, is provided for the use of visitors AT REASONABLE RATES. A MILITARY BAND PLAYS in the Gardens, close to the Hotel, three-times a week.

SEA BATHING.

STEAMERS to and from Macao, every MORNING and AFTERNOON.

WM. FARMER,
Proprietor and Manager.

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Intimations.

Concentrated strength,

sustenance and energy—that's what Bovril is. Bovril represents a perfectly scientific combination of the stimulative and flavouring features of meat-extract with the nutritive properties of beef. Bovril is readily taken and easily digested and assimilated by even the most feeble constitution.



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CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Armies and the State Railways; Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and SOLE AGENTS for Fujinotani, Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Mameda, Mannoura, Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yunokibara and other Coals. N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong. [563c]

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WINE MERCHANTS,

12 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Picnic parties furnished with wines, etc., at a moment's notice.

Contracts made on special terms with Caterers, Committees, Messes and Captains of Steamers. All Wines, Spirits and Beers supplied are guaranteed.

Price list on application. TELEPHONE No. 135.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903. [952c]

AQUARIUS COMPANY.

The Aquarius Company's Table Waters are made of pure treble distilled water only.

Absolute purity can only be obtained by distillation.

AQUARIUS MINERAL WATER.

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TONIC WATER.

GINGER ALE.

GINGER BEER.

LEMONADE.

LITHIA WATER.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

15, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [22]

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL

(ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.)

CODE ADDRESS: "YOSEMITE."

35 BEDROOMS EXCELLENTLY FURNISHED. BATH TO EACH ROOM. DINING ROOM AND CUISINE UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION.

EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN WINES, SPIRITS AND BEERS.

POOL AND BILLIARDS.

ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND MANILA NEWSPAPERS IN FILE.

TERMS.—\$4.00 to \$7.00 per day. \$75 to \$120 per month.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903.

JAS. D. M. CAMERON,
Manager. [555c]

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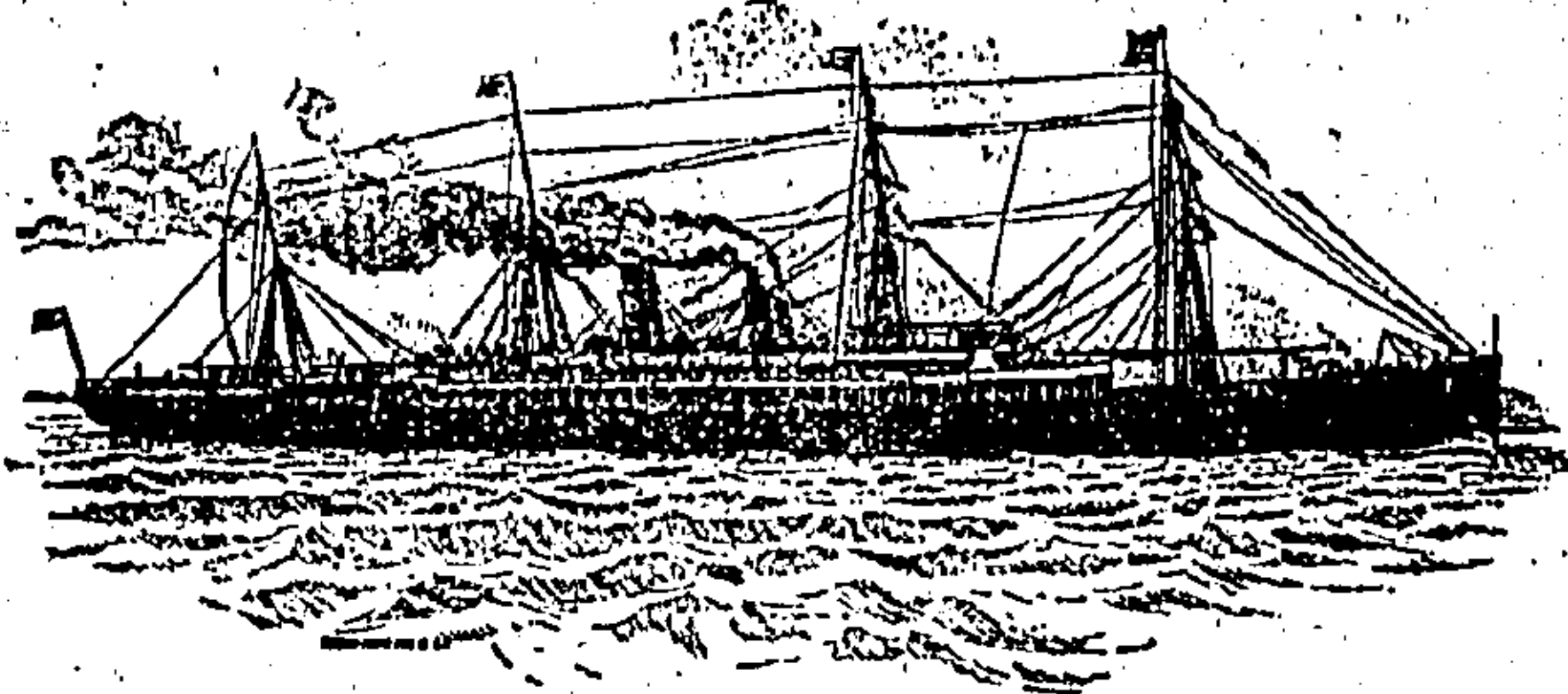
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KOWLOON.

J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor and Manager.

Stats.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"KOREA"	11,276 Gross Tons	SATURDAY, 26th December, at Noon.
"GABLIO"	4,205 "	SATURDAY, 2nd January, 1904, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	6,307 "	SATURDAY, 9th January, at Noon.
"CHINA"	5,060 "	TUESDAY, 19th January, at Noon.
"DORIC"	4,784 "	FRIDAY, 29th January, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	6,307 "	SATURDAY, 6th February, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284 "	SATURDAY, 13th February, at Noon.
"COFFIC"	4,352 "	TUESDAY, 23rd February, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	6,307 "	WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

The P. M. Company's Steamship "KOREA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

FEATURES OF THIS LINE.

The largest and steadiest passenger ships on the Pacific.

Southern Route; passengers enjoy out-doors throughout; deck bathing. The call at Honolulu, Oahu, the most fertile and beautiful island of the Pacific. The only line to San Francisco, the greatest port of the Pacific.

Sailings positively on schedule date.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1903.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)

"EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—5,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904
"ATHENIAN"	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th January
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 10th February
"TARTAR"	4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 24th February
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 9th March
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 30th March
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 20th April
"ATHENIAN"	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th April
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 11th May

The magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903.

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
ARAGONIA	HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.	21st Dec. Freight.
Forst	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	
NURNBERG	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	25th Dec. Freight.
Leubus	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	
SAVOIA	ROTTERDAM AND HAMBURG.	1st January, Freight and Passengers.
Deinat	(Calling at SINGAPORE).	1904.
AMBRIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	10th January, Freight.
Duckstein	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	1904.
WURZBURG	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	23rd January, Freight and Passengers.
v. Binzer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	1904.
ALESIA	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	6th February, Freight.
Schönfeldt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	1904.
NUBIA	NEW YORK	About end of December, or beginning of January.
von Hoff	VIA SUZ.	

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM,"	2,363 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN,"	2,338 "	C. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN,"	2,200 "	C. V. Lloyd.
"HANKOW,"	2,073 "	J. J. Lussius.
"KINSHAN,"	2,800 "	

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at 5.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNG-SHAN,"	1,998 tons	Captain W. E. Clarke.
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Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at 2 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted).

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN,"	2,19 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND M. STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM,"	588 tons	Captain B. Branch.
"NANNING,"	561 "	C. Butchart.
"TAK HING,"	618 "	R. D. Thomas.

Departures from Canton and Wuchow about five times every week. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,

18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD

Hongkong, 7th November, 1903.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

HEAD AGENT: R. BISSCHOP,

3, DUDDELL STREET,

HONGKONG.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS	JAVA PORTS via MACASSAR.	January 10	SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	January 12
TJILATJAP	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	Second half of December	S'PORE, JAVA PORTS and MACASSAR.	Second half of December
TJIMAH	Do.	First-half of January	Do.	First half of January

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE AGENTS,

THE HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO.

Telephone No. 201.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1903.

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Intimations.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS, ENLARGING, AND
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No. 4, ICE HOUSE STREET,
Between Queen's Road and Des Vaux Road.

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COSTUMES AND
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FURNISHED.

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LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

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THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL

OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.

Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.

Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.

Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

THE MANAGER.

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INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that

the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co.,

VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT
GAS LIGHT.

ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES.

The Price of which has been reduced to

FIFTY CENTS per piece.

BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

KRUSE & Co.
CONNAUGHT HOUSE

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Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of
entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft.
Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to
pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of
entrance, top 80.5 ft.; bottom 45.8
ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time
to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge-Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

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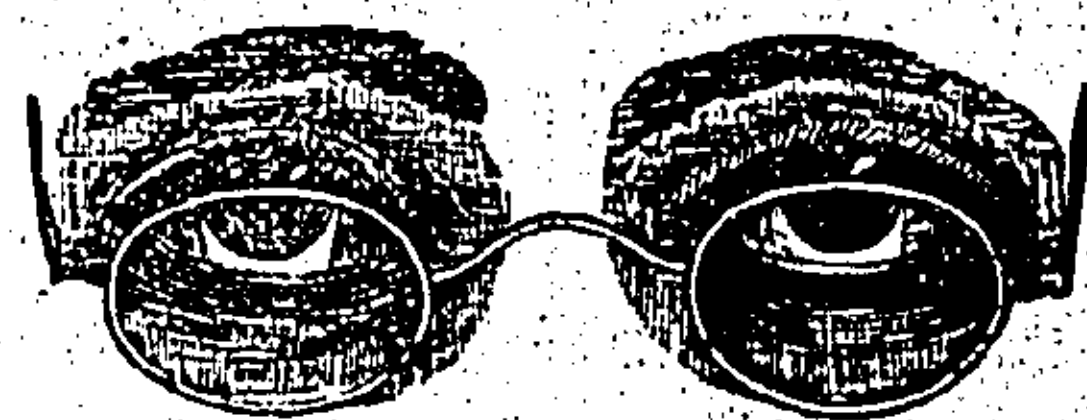
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ANNUAL DINNER.

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The usual annual dinner of the China Association—known always as the China Dinner—was held at the Hotel Metropole on 17th ult. The muster made a total of about 220 guests, just a few under the record number attained at the gathering last year. The President of the Association for the year is Sir Alfred Den, K.C.M.G., who was in the chair. Behind the President's chair a group of flags was displayed, comprising the Union Jack, flanked on either side by the Japanese naval ensign and the Italian national flag. An innovation was made on the present occasion by the introduction of music—instrumental and vocal. After each toast and reply a ballad, glee or air was rendered. Each was brief so that no great inroad on the time was made—an important point at such gatherings, where so many have to catch trains and yet have to make many chin chins to make to friends and cronies whom it is frequently only possible to meet at such gatherings.

THE LOYAL TOASTS.

The Chairman, in proposing "The King," said the nation had viewed with pride and satisfaction the cordial welcome given to His Majesty during his tour of the Continent, and it was with equal pride and satisfaction that they knew His Majesty was now enquiring at Windsor a Royal guest—an illustrious representative of one of the three Mediterranean naval Powers. (Cheers)

The toast was loyally acknowledged. The Chairman, in proposing the toast of "The Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales and the Rest of the Royal Family," said that they were so dear to all that no words of his were needed to commend the toast to those present. With regard to the Prince of Wales and the Princess of Wales, he reminded them of the very great advantages which have resulted from the tour which His Royal Highness made to the Colonies, and in this connection he would recall the words which His Royal Highness used at the Guildhall on his return to England, and which have some special significance now; he said that "the Old Country must wake up if she intends to maintain her old position of pre-eminence in her Colonial trade against foreign competitors."

THE IMPERIAL FORCES OF THE CROWN.

Mr. Wm. Keswick, M.P.: I am asked to propose a toast which is rightly placed immediately after the toast of the Royal Family. The toast is "The Imperial Forces of the Crown." Gentlemen, these forces are the material expression of the power of our Empire, it is, in them our strength lies, and the possessions which we now hold and the nation that we are entirely due to them. Our Navy goes wherever the waters flow on which it can float; it prepares the way, and our armies follow on whenever they are demanded. The forces, combined with those of our Colonies, represent what we believe to be the civilizing influence of the Western nations. (Hear, hear.) We have with us tonight Admiral Seymour—(Applause)—whose great achievements in Northern China have been the admiration of everyone, and we have also as representing our Army Colonel Crawford, who, I believe, is one of those gifted men whose special knowledge has been retained in the service of the country. It is a great feature that we have powers to send forces to establish our will and preserve the commerce which our forefathers opened up and we now find the protection which our Army and Navy affords us. Gentlemen, these are the names which I associate with the toast of the Imperial Forces of the Crown.

Admiral Seymour, in rising to respond, mid great applause, said: I derive much pleasure to return you, on the part of the Navy, our hearty thanks for the very cordial manner in which this toast has been proposed by you in connection with the Imperial Forces of the Crown. Last year also, I had the honour of responding here for the Navy. It is a special pleasure for me as well as an honour, as it recalls my work in China, and the very way in which I was assisted by my fellow countrymen there. It is also interesting to me on account of the necessary connection which exists in China between the sea-power of this country and our policies in that land. As regards the Navy, it has increased steadily, so much so that this year the Navy estimates are larger than they have ever been before, even in time of war. I think there is reason to believe that the authorities are coming to the conclusion that we should build a type of battleship superior to what we have done before, but not to increase the size of ships or the personnel—devoted to improvements in torpedo and submarine boats, as it is not good to put too many eggs into one basket. I imagine that there is no one in this room who does not weigh over the question of the Far East and Japan, and as I am a sort of official at this moment, I must not say much about it. But I will say that the evacuation of Manchuria by Russia hardly comes within the lines of things probable, even though we are told this upon Russian authority. (Laughter.) As regards Japan's position of Korea is of vital importance, and I do not think we can blame Japan for taking steps in the matter. It appears to me pretty evident that a war must take place sooner or later upon the question of Korea. I do not think it will take place yet, principally because each Power desires to put the onus of doing so on the shoulders of the other, but the question is so great and important that I shall not venture to speak about it. When I went out to China as Admiral I looked about me and observed that the idea was of "sphere of influence"; after a time I asked myself what was a "sphere of influence," and I concluded that a "sphere of influence" meant a "sphere of influence" for that particular nation, and nobody else. (Laughter.) I changed my idea to that of "the open door," and am still an advocate of that policy. I believe in the harmonisation of China because I believe it will lead to the integrity of China for the whole of the world. I think this will be a long time in accomplishment, but it may be in our time, and I think we can only work for ourselves and the immediate succeeding generation. Gentlemen, I must not detain you longer. I wish to congratulate my China friends on the appointment of an excellent and distinguished officer, now at this table, to succeed our present very able Commander-in-Chief here. The interests of China are always paramount in my mind. To be here this evening is a pleasure, because I am delighted to find myself associated with my China friends and with all those whose lives and interests are cast in the Far East. (Prolonged applause.)

Colonel Crawford: I have not very much to say, but would like to make the remark that during the five years which I passed in China one learned the difference between one "old custom" and modern improvement. I remember going to a Chinese town and having to inspect the Chinese artillery. The guns were there which were left when the place was evacuated by us in 1860. They were drawn up for inspection, with a Chinaman in charge, and his words of command were given in broad Irish. When we left the guns were left alone, obsolete and out of date. I happened to go soon after

that to Japan, where the people have jumped rapidly into modern improvements, so that when the Chinese-Japanese war took place, one knew pretty well what was going to happen. With regard to the British Army, for which I have to speak this evening, having been in it myself for close upon half a century, I can say this: the British soldier is the pioneer of the merchant, and he has to act in advance by establishing law and order, and then commercial enterprise begins. (Laughter and cheers.) If you want to keep up an efficient Army you must pay the piper. There is a good deal in the old adage, "Si vis pacem para bellum," and if you want to keep up the Army and Navy, efficient, the truest economy is to pay the piper and plunk down the dollars. (Applause.)

PROSPERITY TO THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

The President, who on rising to speak was greeted with much applause, said: My lord and gentlemen, I have now the honour to propose to you the toast of the evening, "The China Association." (Long and hearty applause.) I must first thank you for the great honour you have done me in electing me as your President for the present year. We have had many distinguished presidents who have presided at this table before, and the ideal president to my mind should be, as I believe, either one of those distinguished officials who from the nature of his appointment has acquired a full knowledge of all our interests in both China and Japan, or else a representative of one of the large mercantile and shipping firms who by reason of their large business connections at all the ports are in constant touch and sympathy with all the British interests therein. (Applause.) We have been fortunate in securing many Presidents to answer such a description; and, whatever my shortcomings may be, we can rejoice in knowing that we have members on our roll who are able to maintain in the future the reputation that our Presidents have so fully established in the past. As it was my good fortune to have something to do with the inception of the Association in 1888, I might be tempted to review of all that the Association has done during these past 15 years; but a glance at the Minute Book of our committee, and at the voluminous reports that have been issued to members under the imprimatur of our hon. secretary—an ideal hon. secretary (applause)—I will venture to call him—has convinced me, as it would you, that it would be impossible to make any such review on the present occasion. During these comparatively few years much, however, has happened in China, and new problems of vast importance have arisen to be dealt with by the Celestial Empire and by those interested in her trade and welfare. Forgetting nothing that is old and I am nothing that is new, China has emerged from a crushing defeat at the hands of Japan, of her Army, of her Navy, and of her antique maxims and ideas to incur new difficulties and a new financial embarrassment in consequence of her recent outrageous attack upon the Legations in Peking. By so doing she has needlessly incurred a debt, the service of which may alienate the whole of her Customs Revenue for many years to come. She has also to face additional complications with Russia in her Northern Provinces, whilst Germany has acquired a large position of her territory in Shantung and France after detaching her casual states in Indo-China, is pressing on her frontier in Yunnan. Japan has seized Formosa, and the sincerity which China at one time claimed to exercise over Korea have vanished like the morning mist. I think that kingdom to defend its independence as best it can with very designing neighbours at her doors. The benefits that have accrued to the British Empire throughout all these incidents are not yet apparent—(laughter)—as the small acquisitions of territory which we have in the round the thinly inhabited districts of the barbs of Hongkong and Wei-hai-wei are but specks on the map as compared with the territorial aggrandisement of other Powers. Our statesmen, indeed, seem to have avoided territorial aggrandisement as much as possible, and I have no doubt they had very good reasons for doing so, but it is amusing, in face of what other Powers have done, to find it recorded that we gave up our occupation of Chusan so as not to humiliate China, or to wound the susceptibilities of France; and that we handed down our flag at Port Hamilton, returning those three little islands to Korea, in deference to the feelings of Russia, who gave at this juncture "a most explicit guarantee, distinctly declaring she would not occupy Korean territory." I might quote other instances to indicate that in the matter of territorial acquisition at all events we have not added much to our visible prestige in the Far East, but any loss of influence that we have incurred on that account we trust to find more imaginary than real. And we have also to find, as time goes on, that our commercial interests at least have been safeguarded, and that if we have been the subject of competition for spheres of influence, we shall at all events find that the "open door" and "equal opportunity" have been secured for the trade of the British Empire and for the world at large. We have to congratulate, in the meantime, Sir James Mackay and ourselves on the ratification of his treaty, and we hope, when it comes into full force, that it will form a basis for that commercial and administrative reform which we are all most sincerely looking forward to. We regret, however, that no Commission has yet been appointed for the Conservancy of the Hwangpu river, which all people in Shanghai have so much at heart, and we are anxiously awaiting answers to our questions as to what new methods of procedure the Chinese authorities intend to adopt generally as regards the treaty, and especially as regards the proposed consumption tax. As regards *tsin*, which Mr. Gundry dealt with so exhaustively in his memorandum of November, 1897, we do hope to see it eventually abolished, together with all its satellites, when other Powers have concluded their treaty negotiations. We also hope to see the matter of Currency Reform pressed forward, and if any edict is to be issued in that direction, we must hope that it will not prove abortive like the edict of 1887, when the Emperor Regent ordered that the copper "cash coins" should be promptly reorganised. We are glad to find that His Excellency Sir Ernest Satow and Sir Pelham Warren are again at their posts, and we are all disappointed that opportunities failed during their brief residence at home of according to them the good wishes and hospitality of the Association. In connection with this treaty I am sure you will all approve the telegram which we sent to Sir Charles Dudgeon, the esteemed chairman of the Association in Shanghai, congratulating him when we learned that his services had been recognised at the hands of His Majesty. (Applause.) The sympathies of the Association with the reform movement have always been so frankly expressed that I should be guilty of an omission if I failed to express our gratification on ascertaining that His Majesty's Government had refused to surrender those men who are awaiting their trial at Shanghai to the unrestrained barbarity of which the Court in Peking has proved itself capable in similar cases. Some three years ago we addressed two letters to Lord Salisbury under very similar circumstances as to the vindictive and reactionary policy of those in authority in Peking, and the words which we used then you will find very applicable now. As regards our proceedings generally, during the last twelve months, there is very little to add to the report which was issued

to the members in March last, and an interim report on the present occasion has been thought unnecessary. I will not detain you with any comments on the political situation between Russia and Japan, which has already been dealt with by our friend Admiral Seymour. We can but hope that though Russia and Japan stand out as protagonists of varying interests, that they will be reconciled, shortly, and in peaceful manner. If the advent of the Siberian Railway has been productive so far chiefly of disturbance, let us anticipate a time when that magnificent highway will be used for the purpose of carrying commodities and merchandise rather than for the transport of troops and stores. (Applause.) The progress which has been made with the railway concessions throughout China is a matter of first importance to the country, and we can but regret that our share in these railway concessions is so moderate as compared with the State-aided projects of other Power. The completion of the various schemes must bring about many vast changes in the internal administration of China, and it is satisfactory to know that the Chinese, as a race, are so ready to welcome those changes. We all know what Japan has done, and is doing, since she adopted modern ideas, and if China, with ten times her population, should follow her example, and develop her resources in the same way and at the same pace, it seems probable that before long we may have a great competitor for the trade of the world, both on land and sea; and Chinese patriotic statesmen may yet come to the front with a desire and determination to assert the dormant strength of their empire in other ways than trade. This is a matter, however, which I will leave to your president of a future generation to deal with. I have now, my Lord and gentlemen, much pleasure in asking you to give a cordial reception to the toast of "Prosperity to the China Association." (Prolonged applause.)

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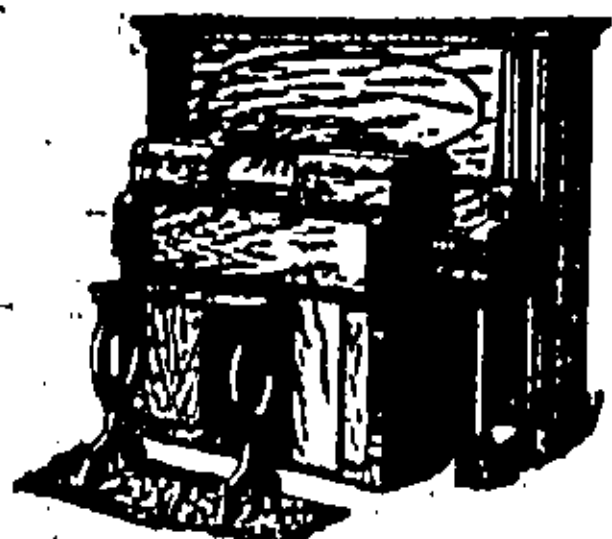
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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1903.

THE NEW TERRITORIES.

By the completion of the survey of the
two coastwise strips of land from Tai Lam
Chung to Tsun Wan, and Lamma Island
in the New Territory, one of the final
difficulties in opening up the Concession to
commercial enterprise has just been over-
come. The formation of districts and sub-
districts, and the appointment of commit-
tees who would be loyal and upright in all
their dealings, were among the initial
troubles attending the taking over of the Con-
cession on April 17, 1899. In the four
years and eight months which have passed
since the British flag was hoisted, the great-
est pessimist will be bound to admit that a
colossal task has been undertaken, and the
ground thoroughly paved for a residential
resort where a thorough sense of security
can be felt, as well as a field where the
enterprising capitalist need no longer fear
any betrayal of his confidence. Whatever
may be said of the efforts of the last
local administration—and there were many
carping critics, who spoke unkindly of
the steps put forward at the time of the
acquisition—this much can be now
stated, that the officials who were sent
to labour in the New Territory can now see
almost the realization of their wildest hopes,
and their fears for the future develop-
ment of the country must fade from the
memory. Three hundred and seventy square
miles of land, tenanted for the most part by
a complete horde of brigands as wild, in their
purposes as the most bloodthirsty pirates
of the West, have been practically sub-
dued and brought under British dominion,
while the land itself is, to a considerable
extent, cleared from a chaotic condition to
one promising hope of great commercial
development. Forty-five thousand acres, or
sixty-one square miles, of land brought under
cultivation for a population of one hundred
thousand, who over four years ago were
writhing under the lash of the ever "squeeze-
ing" mandarin. With all the unmeasur-
able difficulties brought about by the phys-
ical configuration of the country an excellent
road has been made eighteen miles across
undulating land connecting Kowloon with
Mira Bay, and contributing to the pleasure
of the citizen, as well as ensuring his im-
munity from attack at the hands of the ten
thousand fighting Chinamen on the Canton
Delta. All these, and many more, are the
results of the labours of a few, who have
fought with the deadly grip of malaria, and
been the pioneers towards bringing about a
healthy condition of things—no small factor
in the opening up of tral districts in the
Far East. There is, however, a great deal
more to be done, and with the completion
of the contemplated road to Lai Chi Kok
which will be a connecting link with Chin
Wan, on the Castle Peak, and then round
the Sha Pat Heung and Pat Yung
valleys, the principal portions of the
New Territory will be within easy access
of Kowloon and Hongkong. There is
need of further Government effort to
assist the farmers in their endeavours to
cultivate the land, and although the Land
Court has done a great deal towards dis-
satisfying the general Celestial idea of grinding
landlordism, there are many cultivators, es-
pecially at Min Wo and Tai O, who still
feel the burden which necessarily attends
the labours of the patient tiller of the soil.
A more generous view could well be taken
of the sugar industry, and despite the fact
that the machinery imported by the Chinese was far
superior to their primitive ideas, some other
move might easily be made to encourage
them in their work. The pine apple flour-
ishes in the main because of the official
attention which has been paid to it; a little
more of that attention might well be direct-
ed towards the growing of succulent gras-
ses for cattle grazing on the hill slopes
which in time might render Hongkong
independent of butcher "rings", and even
the whole of the supplies of the West and
North Rivers. The revenue of the possession
is increasing very favourably, and there is
need of no ideas of pecuniary hopes blighted
by blind faith. Even the fishermen, who last

year paid one thousand dollars in revenue
more than they did the previous year, would
like a little more leniency, more especially as
they contributed in a great measure to the
suppression of piracy round the coast. The
immense resources of the New Territory
should come for a great share of official
attention, and notwithstanding that the
Chinese Syndicate have neglected the silver
mines at Lantau Island, there is abundant
evidence of the mineral being such as would
repay some outlay. The whole country is
well worth attention, and capitalists will
probably "go farther and fare worse" by
directing their flow into other channels of
industrial enterprise.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The English mail of the 21st November was
delivered in London on the 19th inst.

THE death is announced of the Right Hon.
Charles Scoble Hayne, P.C., M.P. (Radical) for
Ashburton Division of Devonshire, at the age
of 70.

MR. S. J. Reuben, a visitor staying at the
Waverley Hotel, was found dead in bed this
morning, and the police had the body removed
to the mortuary.

IN our report of the drawing of subscrip-
tion China ponies on Saturday we inadvertently
stated that No. 42 was secured by Sir Paul
Chater. It should have been Mr. Chater.

GMR. L. C. Rees and GMR. A. J. Darby made
the best scores in the December carbine com-
petition, held on the Tai Hang range yester-
day, the former securing 85, and the latter 81
points.

THE league cricket matches played on Satur-
day resulted as follows:—A. O. C. 174, for
one wicket (declared) v. I.L.K.C.C. "A" 75,
Craigengower, 75, for six wickets v. I.L.M.S.
Tamar, 34, and Civil Service, 89, v. Parkes, 41.

IN the fifth race in the champion class, in con-
nection with the Royal Yacht Club on Satur-
day, Vernon came in first, Elsieph second, and
Eileen third. The fifth race of the one-design
class was sailed yesterday and resulted in a
win for Kathleen.

GOVERNOR Taft of Manila, who has been
appointed the Secretary of War of the United
States, will arrive in Hongkong in time to
catch the s.s. Korea, sailing at noon on the
26th. The Governor arrives with his family
and staff, and will occupy suites on the big
liner.

As Mr. F. Carl, who was recently in charge of
the Lappa Customs, is going officially to the
Louis Exposition, Mr. H. B. Morse, Commis-
sioner at Canton, will replace him as Statistical
Secretary, and will himself be succeeded at
Canton by Mr. Raphael de Luca, who has
recently returned from leave.

THE following is the return of visitors to the
City Hall Library and Museum for the week
ending 20th December, 1903:—

	Library	Museum
Non-Chinese	222	41
Chinese	73	2,139
Total	295	2,180

M. MESSIMY, the reporter of the Naval Budget
Committee of the French Chamber of Deputies,
states that had France fought England in
"Fashoda year" the naval odds in favour of
England would only have been three to two;
by 1907 they will be four to two. M. Messimy
advises the creation of a committee of national
defence control to harmonise the joint efforts
of the naval and military forces.

THE hon. secretary of the Catholic Union de-
sires to thank our readers for the support given
to the toy bazaar held on Saturday last, which
realised a sum of about \$1,300. It is gratifying
to know that there will be ample funds to pro-
vide treats to the poor children and aged
indigents on Christmas Day. The Committee
also thank the officers of H.M.S. *Vengeance* for
their excellent band which was in attendance.

THE *Sin Wan Pao* is informed by the same
authority that the French Minister at Peking
has notified the Waiwups that the Kwangsi
insurgents had been repeatedly crossing into
Annam, and France had spent much labour
and much money in defending the frontier for
over a year. Now as long as China was unable
to pacify the Kwangsi rebels, France could not
withdraw her garrisons on the borders and as
France could see no way of receiving any com-
pensation for the money and labour spent,
therefore she was requested to use her troops
in co-operation with those of China to exter-
minate the rebels of Kwangsi at an early date,
etc., etc. The Waiwups' reply is not known.

WITH reference to the secret orders promulga-
ted by the Throne to the various Viceroy and
Governors of provinces to report how many
modern-armed and disciplined troops could be
sent up to Peking in the event of war with
Russia, a recent letter from the capital reports
that replies have been received by the Grand
Council from the high authorities of the follow-
ing provinces:—Liangkiang (consisting of three
provinces), Min-Ché (two provinces), Kwang-
tung, Hunan, Shantung, Shansi, Szechuan,
Shensi, and Hukiang (two provinces), and
that the total number of first-class troops from
the above provinces ready to go up to the
North aggregates 90,000 men.—N. C. D.
News.

MASSIVE GUNS, travelling to Europe by the
German mail will be interested to learn that
the volcano of Stromboli, on the Lipari Islands,
is very active. A new crater has been formed.

MEMBERS of the Wigwam Lawn Tennis Club
dined at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday
evening under the presidency of Mr. F. R.
Smith. A very pleasant time was spent, and a
capital musical programme was sustained by
well-known vocalists. There were 58 gentle-
men present.

At the Wellington Barracks on Saturday night,
an excellent entertainment was given to a large
house by members of the Royal Engineers
Variety Club. A first-rate programme was
drawn up, the items including comic songs
and sketches by Messrs. Burnett and Dockree
keeping the audience in roars of laughter.
In addition to a gramophone selection, a
huge able sketch entitled *An Amateur Curate*
was produced and was certainly the "hit" of
the evening. To-night another entertainment
will be given, for which an entire change of
programme is announced. It will conclude
with a laughable comedy, in one act, entitled
Wifal Murder. Judging by the success of
Saturday's entertainment, a rush to secure
seats may be expected this evening.

THE DECEMBER CRIMINAL
SESSIONS.

DEATH SENTENCE.

At the Supreme Court this morning before
the Chief Justice, Sir W. M. Goodman, Tsang
Tin Kwai and Tsang Chang were indicted on a
charge of being concerned in the murder of a
Chinese woman, Leung So, at Wanchai, on
May 10th, 1902.

The Attorney General, Sir H. S. Berkeley,
(instructed by Mr. H. Hursthouse) prosecuted,
while accused were represented by Mr. W. M.
Slade.

Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the follow-
ing jury was sworn:—Messrs. P. Plag, W. F.
Bassford, T. C. Downing, J. O. E. Meyer, E. V.
D. Parr, B. Christiansen, and E. W. Terry.

The Attorney General said that the murdered
woman was the concubine of Tsang Mook.
The case for the Crown was that the prisoners
murdered the woman at the request of and after
payment by her husband. The husband was
not in custody as he had departed from the
Colony and was now beyond the reach of the
law, and the prisoners stood to answer for what
they had done at his suggestion. The facts were
that on May 10th, 1902, Mr. White, who lived
in Wanchai, was disturbed by hearing sounds
of quarrelling and later on piercing shrieks and
screams rang out. He went outside and found
a woman lying on the side of the road, with a
large wound in her abdomen. Almost imme-
diately after, or a little before he arrived there,
a Chinaman, Ip Sung, came up, and a state-
ment, Ip Sung alleges, was made by the woman,
That statement would be put in as evidence, if
permissible. For some time the matter re-
mained a mystery, and although inquired into
by the police, no clue could be found as to who
it was that killed the woman. The woman died
on the day following the one on which she was
found lying wounded. From May until last
October no one was charged with being im-
plicated in the outrage, but between those months
the police had been investigating and ultimate-
ly, from information received, they were, be-
lieved, enabled to sheet the crime home to
the men in dock. One witness would be called,
whose evidence, if believed, would convict the
two men. The prosecution said that the wo-
man's husband wished to get rid of her and
employed the two prisoners to kill the woman,
and so do what he was afraid to do. The ar-
rangement was kept absolutely quiet and it was
only because later on there was a split between
those two that the police became cognisant of
what had been done. They would have to rely
upon the evidence of one, who, although not an
accomplice, knew, on his own showing, what
was going on. The man was a witness of the
name of Sang Yu Ting and his evidence was
to the effect that on May 9th the two prisoners
went into an opium den where he was. He
heard Tsang Sang say that the husband of
deceased had recounted some shameful conduct
of his wife's and said he would be satisfied if
some one killed her. The husband offered the
prisoners \$30 to kill her, and the divan witness
said that he heard them say they were going to
kill her that night. Witness then spoke to
them and told them it was not a right thing to
do, that it was a very serious matter, and to
leave them the divan, but witness remained. He
next saw the two prisoners on the night of May
11th, and they told him they had done what
they had talked about, and offered him some
money to say nothing about it, which he says
he refused to take.

Evidence was then led, and the jury after-
wards returned a verdict of "guilty" against
both men, who were accordingly sentenced to
death.

MASONIC INSTALLATION.

Wor. Bro. C. F. Focken was installed on
Saturday as R. W. M. of Lodge Eastern Scott,
923, S. C. (Kowloon) by R. W. D. G. M., Rt.
Wor. Bro. E. C. Pay. He then invested his
officers as follows:—Deputy Master, Wor. Bro.
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Fittok; Stewards, Bro. C. T. Letton, Bro. W.
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The ceremony was held in the hall of the
Lodge, and was attended by a large number of
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MACAO'S HOSPITALITY TO THE
HONGKONG PRESS.

AN APPEAL TO BRITISH CHARITY.

The majority of residents in Hongkong have,
on some occasion, been able to spare a few
hours from the rushing, high-pressure existence
of life's struggle in our big seaport, to visit
the old-time city of Macao. Such of them as
are interested in the history of early European
enterprise in China must certainly have re-
turned to our noisy, crowded, busy streets while
still under impression of the subtle charm and
romantic glamour which penetrates the mind
of visitors to this ancient outpost of Por-
tugal's formerly magnificent colonial empire. If
the latent charm of Macao is appreciable to the
casual tripper, whose impressions are gathered
from a superficial acquaintance with this pic-
turesque colony, how much more vivid and de-
lightful are the emotions experienced by those
who have been able to peep into the inner life
of this old-world corner of a continent when
chaperoned by those in authority, who alone
can show what is going on the other side of the
wall. Such was the enviable lot of the mem-
bers of the Hongkong Press who responded to
the invitation of Mr. A. J. Basto, Junior, the
Honorary Secretary of the Charity Fete, now
organising in the Portuguese colony.

THE BANQUET.

The day's experience, the souvenir of which
will be an abiding one, began at the hospitable
mansion of Mr. A. J. Basto, Senior, where a
luncheon—an epicurean banquet worthy of the
appreciation of a *Brillat-Savarin*—was offered
to the members of the Administrative
Council of the Colony and the representative
brethren of the pen. Well present:—His
Lordship Paulino d'Azevedo e Castro, Bis-
hop of Macao, who is at present Ad-
ministering the Government; Dr. Albino de
Magalhães, Chief Justice of the Colony; Dr.
Luiz Forte, the Attorney General and Colonial
Secretary *pro tem*; Mr. W. Noyes-Murhouse,
Commissioner of Customs at Lappa, the Rev.
Father Nunes, private secretary to the Bishop,
Messrs. A. J. Basto, Senior, A. J. Basto, Junior,
and others. At the end of the repast, numerous
cordial toasts were drunk; the first to lift his
glass being the jovial host, Mr. A. J. Basto
who, addressing his guests in the purest of
French, drank to their health and well-being.
His Lordship the Bishop, in a few, well-chosen
words, expressed his grateful appreciation of
the aid received by local charities from the
Hongkong Press and, after some flattering
remarks as to the power and impartiality
of British newspapers, the world over, drank
to the health and success of the fraternity.
Mr. P. W. Sergeant, of the *Hongkong Daily
Press*, eloquently voiced the thanks of his
colleagues, and on their behalf, reciprocated the
good wishes expressed by the different speakers.
The assembled guests then rose and visited
an exhibition of toys and other articles to be
disposed of at the coming Bazaar, at which
were present, several of the charming lady
staff holders who are to assist at the fete.

On an adjoining tennis-court, a photograph
was then taken of a group, composed of His
Lordship the Bishop surrounded by the mem-
bers of the Council, the pressmen and guests;
after which all present proceeded, under the
direction of the kindly Prelate, to visit several
of the convents, schools and charitable insti-
tutions of the city.

THROUGH OLD MACAO.

Up hill and down—through narrow, stone-
paved streets lined with tall, silent houses,
whose barred and recessed windows show
walls several feet in thickness, and whose
gaily painted façades of the Luso-Moorish
style, pillared portals, ornamented with suc-
cess, remind one of Lisbon or Corunna—on
goes the procession of rickshas. As we pass
some of the larger buildings, surrounded by
massive walls of more than normal height,
there reaches the ear, through the rattling din
of the wheels upon the pavement, the tinkle
of a chapel bell, or snatches of an *ave* or *patry*
sang by distant voices. The streets now narrow,
so that it looks as if it will be impossible to
proceed, then suddenly they open out again
and a *largo* is traversed, upon which gives
the portico of some important edifice. Smart
sturdy little soldiers, clad in a sky-blue uni-
form stand to attention, and respectfully salute,
as soon as the sedan chair of the Bishop comes
into their line of vision. It wanted but little
imagination to appreciate the romantic charm
of this perigression through the ancient and
tortuous arteries of the city, and had one en-
countered, on turning an abrupt corner in
a narrow *travessa*, a *cavalheiro*, in the
glories of a steel mail and buff jerkin, with
a long Toledo beating against his heels, it
would have been but an appropriate adjunct
to the vista and would hardly have excited
surprise.

THE COLLEGE OF SANTA ROSA DE LIMA.

Now we stop before the open portals of
a convent and alight preceded by the Prelate,
the visitors ascend a magnificent flight of stone
steps and are in the play-ground of the girls
college. The Mother Superior comes forward
and greets the Bishop. The sisters, who are the
teachers of the young ladies who come here to
be educated, are then presented to us. They
like the head of the establishment, are clad in
a picturesque costume of white flannel which
is undoubtedly becoming. Their features
are wreathed in smiles of welcome, not un-
attended with a touch of satisfaction at
being able to show the strangers over the ad-
mirable institution, which, by its spick and span
condition and the evident healthy cheerfulness
of the young inmates under their care, gives
every proof of its admirable organisation.
Time is short, therefore we have to hurry
through dormitories, class-rooms, refectory,
gymnasium. A play-ground and tennis court
are attached to the college. The education
given is altogether modern and the charges
are very low, \$12 a month being the maximum
for boarders. Young ladies of good Portuguese

ton lies receive their education here, and as
we pass through the joyous groups of children,
all anxious to salute the good Bishop, our
host bends over his little daughter and
embraces her. There are six sisters in the
establishment, who are respectively of
English, French, Italian and Portuguese
nationality. There are 67 girl-students
in the college, twenty of whom are
boarders. The building is a former monastery,
over 200 years old. In places the walls are six
feet thick, the chambers are large and well
ventilated, one immense class room, on the
first story, being nearly fifty yards long by ten
broad.

INSTITUTION UNDER THE CANOSSIAN
SISTERS.

Our procession is again *en route*, this time to
visit the different institutions under the care of
the Canossian Sisters. We first come to the
Benevolent Home, founded in 1877, where
Portuguese and Chinese girls, of poor parents,
are received and educated. Some of them are
taught a trade, others go into orders, and again,
there are sent into the missions in the interior
of China to Christianise the natives. The Por-
tuguese Government has sent many poor children
into the Home. The establishment, which was
visited throughout, was scrupulously clean and
well appointed. Samples of the work executed
by the little inmates bear witness to the skill
with which they are instructed.

THE HOLY INFANTRY.

This establishment is similar in its object to
the French Convent in Hongkong. It was
opened in 1885, and since its inauguration,
over 10,300 abandoned infants have been taken
in. It includes an asylum for the aged and blind
and a retreat for reformed Magdalenes. It
would take too much of our space to dwell
upon the good work done here, suffice to say
that the kind, motherly attention bestowed by
the good sisters on the hundreds of abandoned,
suffering little humans is altogether beyond
praise. A visit must be paid to the institution
to fully realise the splendid self-abnegation of
the devoted women who toil and strive to al-
leviate the misery and pain of the children of the
Chinese poor.

PERSERVERANCE COLLEGE.

This was opened on the 22nd of November
last, and is another of the several benevolent
institutions founded by His Lordship the
Bis-op, who has, though yet barely six months
in the Colony, done inestimable good to the
poor classes of the big flock under his
care. This establishment offers employment
for girls over eighteen who leave the Bene-
volent Home and are desirous of earning an
honest livelihood. It is in the charge of the
Franciscan Sisters of the Order of Mary. At
the end of the third quarter of the present year
the institution was housing and feeding 364
persons in all, 70 of whom were children. The
expenditure for the quarter was \$4,493.91,
and the receipts \$5,255.75, leaving a deficit of
\$1,238.16. It is to clear this deficit that a fete
and bazaar are to be given in the Public
Gardens at Macao, on the 26th and 27th inst.
A good entertainment will be provided, and
charitably disposed persons from Hongkong
can be assured of passing an enjoyable holiday
in the city of Camoes. It was late in the
evening when the inspection terminated and the
excellent Prelate bade good-bye to the guests he
had so courteously and untiringly piloted; and
it was not without emotion that each in turn
expressed his thanks and humble appreciation
of His Lordship's untiring zeal in the beautiful
work of mercy he has so nobly undertaken.

Monsignor Paulino d'Azevedo e Castro is
comparatively young and his features bear
the unmistakable stamp of energy and de-
termination; therefore the poor and suffering
members of his flock can look forward, with
real happiness, to many years of spiritual
security and well-being under the benevolent
care of this kindly and generous prelate.

P. & O. S. N. CO.

The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co.
kindly informs us that at the 63rd annual
meeting of the Peninsular & Oriental Steam
Navigation Company which was to be held on
the 11th December, the Directors, after provid-
ing for the usual dividend at the rate of 5 per
cent. per annum on the Preferred Stock of 64
per cent. for the six months, and a bonus of 3
per cent. making, with the interim dividend of
34 per cent. paid in June, a total distribution
on the Deferred Stock of 13 per cent. for
the year.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Indian (*Namang*) to-morrow.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) to-morrow.
German (*Bayern*) 23rd inst.
American (*Galleo*) 24th inst.
Australian (*Taiwan*) 27th inst.
American (*Hongkong Maru*) 31st inst.
Canadian (*Athabasca*) 5th prox.
American (*China*) 10th prox.

The C. & M. Co's s.s. *Perla* left Cebu on
19th inst., and is due here on 24th inst., p.m.
The Silk ex C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empress of
India*, which left Hongkong on 18th ult., arrived
at New York on 18th inst.

The P. & A. s.s. *Indravelli* sailed from Port-
land on 18th inst., via Japan ports, and may be
expected here on 19th prox.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Bayern*
left Singapore on 18th inst., at 6 p.m., and may
be expected here on 23rd inst.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empress of Japan*
arrived at Shanghai at 11 a.m., on 19th inst.,
and left again at 7 p.m., same day, for Naga-
saki where she is due to arrive at 7 a.m., on
21st inst.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empress of China*
arrived at Shanghai at 11 a.m., on 19th inst.,
and left again at 10 p.m., same day, for Hong-
kong where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m., on
21st inst.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

N. Y. K. Steamer Stranded.

PASSENGERS SAFE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Kobe, 21st December, 2.10 p.m.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha coasting steamer *Shingayon Maru*, of 1,344 tons, which plies between Yokohama and Yokkaichi, was stranded yesterday, off Onmeyesaki, near Yokohama. The passengers were saved.

(Reader's.)

The United States and Cuba.

LONDON, 18th December.

Yesterday the Senate ratified and President Roosevelt signed a reciprocity treaty with Cuba. Great Britain immediately notified the State Department that she expects, under the most favoured nation clause, West Indian Sugar will be admitted on the same terms as Cuban. It is expected that Germany and the other Beet Sugar countries will make a similar demand.

LATER.

Colombia and Panama.

American Marines have been ordered to land in the Gulf of Darien and Santiguets Bay to prevent a possible Colombian invasion of Panama.

Marine Insurance to the Far East.

Lloyd's insurance has risen 50%. On cargoes to the Far East war risks have risen 5%.

Russia and Japan.

St. Petersburg continues to be the most hopeful of a pacific solution of the Japan difficulty.

The *Standard's* Tokyo correspondent wires that it is believed Russia's reply virtually rejects the cardinal principle of the Japanese claims, and that if it is so, unless Russia reconsiders the position, hostilities are almost inevitable.

The Australasian Elections.

The Australasian Federal elections have resulted in a signal victory for the Labour party which completely holds the balance of power in both Houses. The victory is mainly due to the Female Franchise.

The United States and China.

19th December.

The Washington Senate has ratified the Commercial Treaty with China.

Russian Naval Reinforcements.

A telegram from Biseria states that a Russian squadron consisting of the battleship *Orel*, the cruisers *Aurora* and *Dmitri Donski* and five destroyers under the command of Admiral Ushakov will be reinforced by six destroyers in a few days and will then sail for the Far East.

(N. C. Daily News.)

The Crisis.

Tokio, 14th December.

Russia's reply, which was received on Saturday evening, shows that rather a wide discrepancy still exists between the Russian concessions and the Japanese demands.

The negotiations have been hitherto protracted and cannot now be settled instantly.

Peking, 15th December.

The French Minister, M. Dubail, is vainly endeavouring to interpose in the Manchurian question, persuading the Chinese Government to make some concessions to Russia.

The Cautiousness of Hu Yu-Fen.

Peking, 15th December.

H. E. Hu Yu-fen has been to Hsinmintun (N. W. of Moukden) to examine the newly opened railway. Viceroy Alexieff has asked him to investigate the Chinese Eastern Railway, but whether he will go to Port Arthur or not is uncertain, as he is anxious not to excite British suspicions.

(D. O. Lloyd.)

The Kaiser's Audience with the Reichstag Members.

BERLIN, 15th December.

Count Ballestrem reports with regard to his and the Reichstag Vice-Presidents' audience with the Kaiser, that the conversation was very smart. The Kaiser had entirely recovered his old liveliness; his voice was clear and full. The Emperor emphasized during the audience the necessity of Germany taking her part in politics abroad. He then spoke of the importance of Kiautschou for Germany's special interests in the Far East and of the building of railways, which had become a question of life for the African colonies.

Bulow and the Socialists. Chancellor Count Bulow, when speaking again to the Budget, called upon all parties to join hands against the Socialists.

The Japanese Diet.

ENGLISH AND FRENCH OPINION.

The French and English press agree now in the opinion, held here from the start, that the dissolution of the Japanese Diet was only prompted by the desire of the Government to avoid any inopportune incidents while the conference was still being held with Russia.

The U.S. and Manchuria.

AUTONOMY OF MOKDEN INSISTED UPON. LONDON, 8th December.

In his message to Congress, President Roosevelt insists upon the necessity of the autonomy of Moukden being maintained. The President described the present state of affairs as anomalous, but expressed the opinion that there would be a full development of commerce as soon as a settlement had been arrived at. He urged the prompt establishment of a naval base in the Philippines.

Admiral Alexieff.

REPORTED RETURN HOME.

Seoul, 8th December.

Vice-Admiral Stach, Commander-in-Chief of the Russian Pacific Squadron, now in Seoul, intimated to the Minister of a certain Power the night before last that Viceroy Alexieff will start for home on or about the 14th inst.

Peking, 10th December.

A Newchwang despatch confirms the report that Viceroy Alexieff has abandoned the idea of going to St. Petersburg. The change of plans is believed to be due to diplomatic considerations and particularly the negotiations now going on with Tokyo. Although it is reported that Viceroy Alexieff will be replaced by General Kurapatkin, the latest news would seem to show that the former is fully trusted by the Czar. It is believed that Viceroy Alexieff will not lose his position whichever way the present negotiations in Tokyo end.

The Korean Government.

DEMAND FOR SURRENDER OF KO-YI-KI.

Seoul, 10th December.

The Korean Government have decided to demand from the Japanese Government the surrender of Ko Yi-ki, the assassin of U Han-zen. It is now expected that the Government will address an official note to the Japanese Legation, on the matter in the course of the next few days.

The Korean Government have rejected the French demand for a concession to work the Shoji gold mine.

French Aims in China.

ACTIVE SUPPORT OF RUSSIA.

OFFERS OF A LOAN OR MEN.

Peking, 9th December.

In official circles here it is stated that Russia is doing her best to dispose of the Manchurian question with China before Japan addresses a final representation to her. Lien Fiang has been conveying messages between Prince Ching and the Russian Minister recently and the French Minister has also advised China to comply with the Russian demand, and dispose of the Manchurian question for once and for all. The officials are doing their best to checkmate Ng Fung, who is known to harbour pro-Japanese views. The Russians are employing every means to foil China while delaying the progress of the negotiations in Tokio.

France now shows a determination to support the Russian demands on China and is encouraging Russia to take permanent possession of Manchuria. The French Minister called on Prince Ching and other Ministers the day before yesterday, and urged them to grant some of the Russian proposals in regard to Manchuria, if not all; to withdraw their undertaking to open Moukden and Tatum-kao; to guarantee that no concessions shall be made to any other Power in Manchuria; to consent to the Russian administration of districts traversed by the Eastern Chinese Railway; to postpone the date of the Russian withdrawal to March next, and to guarantee all the privileges granted to Russia up to the present time.

The French Minister further proposed to advance twenty million taels in order that the Government might have funds for military operations in Kiangsai. If this plan was not acceptable he offered to send French troops to suppress the rioters. It is thus evident that France is taking up a menacing attitude toward China, and is co-operating with Russia. Prince Ching, Na Tung and other high officials meet daily to consider measures for the future. Na Tung called at the Japanese Legation the day before yesterday and laid a resolution before Mr. Uchida. Na Tung sought the final assurance of the Minister to assist China. A certain Minister here states that Germany will soon join the Russo-French combination.

THE JAPANESE DIET.

OPENING CEREMONY.

(From the "Japan Times.")

The opening ceremony of the Nineteenth Session of the Imperial Diet was conducted on the 10th inst. by H. M. the Emperor in person. Accompanied by T. H. Prince Fushimi and Kuni and the usual suite, His Majesty proceeded to the Parliamentary Buildings at 10.30 a.m. and was welcomed by the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the House and escorted to the hall of the House of Peers by the Ministers of State and others. Ascending the dais, the Emperor then read the Address from the Throne.

IMPERIAL SPEECH.

"Present at the opening ceremony of the Imperial Diet, we hereby make the following announcement to each and every Member of the House of Peers and the House of Representatives—

"It gives us profound joy to find the relations of our Empire with treaty Powers more intimate and friendly than ever. As to the important international negotiation now pending for the maintenance of peace in the Far East and the preservation of the Empire's rights and interests, our Ministers of State are under our instructions to conduct those negotiations with care and circumspection.

"We have caused our Ministers of State to adopt a definite financial programme and ordered them to submit to the Diet the Budget for the thirty-seventh fiscal year together with the various drafts of laws. We trust that you will gratify our wishes, discharging your

legislative duties in a spirit of harmony and with mature deliberation."

All the members of the Diet then made a deep obeisance and the Emperor and his suite immediately returned to the Imperial Palace.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 11.30 a.m. to discuss its Reply to the Throne. Mr. Kono, the Speaker, announced that he was about to present the Reply, which he had drawn up, and, on the members rising, proceeded to read the same.

REPLY TO THE IMPERIAL SPEECH.

"May it please Your August Majesty!

"Your Imperial Majesty's loyal subjects in the House of Representatives humbly beg to express their deep gratitude to Your Majesty for Your Majesty's condescension in honouring the opening of the Nineteenth Session of the Imperial Diet with Your Imperial presence and favouring them with a gracious Speech."

"It is a source of boundless uneasiness and fear to Your Majesty's humble subjects that, at this unique period of national prosperity and power, the Ministers of State should fail to rise to the requirements of the time, and that they should at home waste their energy in temporizing and fail abroad to take advantage of opportunities. It is the humble prayer of Your Majesty's loyal subjects that Your Majesty may graciously deign to bestow Imperial notice on this matter. It is the earnest ambition of Your Majesty's humble subjects to discharge their legislative duties in such a careful and deliberate manner as to meet with Imperial approval and at the same time deserve the trust reposed in them by the people."

"The above is submitted to the Throne in all humility by Your Majesty's humble subject, Hironaka Kono, President of the House of Representatives."

The House passed it amid applause, and authorised the President to present it to the Emperor.

INTERPELLATION REGARDING DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATION.

The first interpellation during the present session was introduced in the House of Representatives by Mr. Mochizuki on Thursday. It related to the pending diplomatic negotiations and ran as follows—

"That the fact of the Russo-Japanese negotiations regarding the situation not having yet arrived at any satisfactory conclusion after a delay lasting for the past several months, is not only a source of great regret to the nation, but threatens to endanger the peace of the Far East."

"What are the Government's views on this question, and what progress have the negotiations so far made?"

HOUSE OF PEERS.

The House met at 9.30 a.m., 11th inst. and Prince Tokugawa, the President, read the Reply to the Imperial Address, which he had drawn up at the request of the Chairman of the Sections.

THE REPLY TO THE THRONE.

"May it please Your August Majesty!

"Your Imperial Majesty's subjects in the House of Peers humbly submit this Reply to Your Majesty. In opening the Nineteenth Session of the Imperial Diet, Your Majesty was pleased to address to us a gracious speech. We, your humble subjects, will in obedience to Your Majesty's instructions, endeavour to discharge our legislative functions with careful deliberation and to support the carrying out of the Imperial policy."

"With profound respect and humility, we present this Reply."

There was profound silence for a moment, and Viscount Tani requested the President to read the Reply once more. The President complied, and the Reply was then passed unanimously.

The House forthwith proceeded to elect a Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House, Viscount Tani gaining 187 votes, out of 202. The election of the Standing Committee having taken place, Marquis Kuroda moved that a letter of thanks be presented to Prince Kono, former President of the House, for his meritorious services while incumbent of that post for the past seven years. The motion was adopted, and Marquis Kuroda's draft of the letter was approved by the House.

Before the extraordinary Reply to the Throne was presented to the Emperor, the House of Representatives was dissolved on the 11th instant by virtue of an Imperial Rescript.

IMPERIAL RESCRIPT.

"We hereby order, by virtue of Article VII. of the Imperial Constitution, the House of Representatives to dissolve."

[Imperial Sign Manual and Privy Seal.]

Countersigned by the Ministers of State.

The House of Peers also received the following Imperial Rescript—

"We hereby order, by virtue of Article VII. and Article XLIV, paragraph 11, that the House of Peers be prorogued."

[Imperial Sign Manual and Privy Seal.]

Countersigned by the Ministers of State.

HILL'S WORLD'S ENTERTAINERS.

Judging from present indications and the nature of the performance given by the Hill World's Entertainers, the season in Hongkong of this clever company should be very successful. The first performance will be given next Wednesday night at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, and it will undoubtedly attract a large and fashionable audience. The star attraction will be the act of Hill and Sylvian, known throughout the world as the cleverest cycle and unicycle trick riders now on the stage. This performance has been made the principal feature in such theatres as the Empire, London; the Folies Bergere, Paris; and in the Keith and Orpheum Circuits of the United States. It is undoubtedly a most daring performance and prove a big attraction in Hongkong, where clever acts are at a premium. The other members of the company are all star artists in their respective specialties and together, the company is decidedly the strongest and best combination of talent that has ever visited Hongkong.

TIENTSIN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

December 8th.

The severe cold of a few days ago has dropped down into ordinary and comfortably cold weather and there is no longer any apprehension of the last few vessels being frozen in. Though skating is in full swing it is quite possible the river will not be closed till nearly the 20th. The last few years a very noticeable change has taken place in the seasons and this was attributed some time since by one of our local navigators to a change in certain of the Pechili Gulf currents. Whether this is so or not, the change is there, and like the many other changes in Tientsin is not altogether satisfactory. Though Tientsin is regarded as going ahead even those of us who have only been up here seven or eight years look back regretfully to the ideal existence which we then formed. A little town without a groshop and without a single loose character or bee-comber was a curiosity indeed, for even the most sequestered nook in country districts at home has its black sheep! Yet such was Tientsin then and the change to the present, when it might almost be said the black sheep predominate, is not a welcome one. I was glancing the other day through some time-browned pages of the *Northern Post*, the first paper ever published in Tientsin, being merely what is still known as the Customs Shipping Gazette with a few items of news thrown in. In 1881 quite a stir was caused in the community when this diminutive sheet announced that it had made arrangements to furnish Tientsin with two Reuters' telegrams a week! In due course this modest service duly appears in its issue, and now with longer dispatches being issued to subscribers twice daily in addition to two daily papers, one wonders vaguely how on earth folks managed. Yet the world waged well enough apparently. The winter froze everyone in properly for three months in those days, and fox hunts and a paper hunt daily were the rule, while the heads of hongs without apology went off on six weeks' shooting trips. Now folks are much too busy even to attend theatricals, and competition has waxed too keen to allow time for fun. But we are 'going ahead' so we are told and that ought to suffice; but it is an age when fortunes are more easily lost than won.

Viceroy Yuan Shikai has been virtually placed in command of the entire military forces of the Empire, though Prince Ching I believe nominally shares with him the responsibility. If this is so it is an entirely empty distinction, as Prince Ching is now so feeble that his part in all Government work is dwindling, and his interviews with the Russian and Japanese Ministers prove an all sufficient tax on his energies. Several memorials have recently been sent in for military reform, and an Edict has been issued commanding the forces in the various provinces to be made to correspond strictly with the recorded strength. The idea of placing the forces under Japanese instructors is finding favour, and providing war does not break out we may expect to see this done.

The Chinese resident in Tibet wired to the Waiwup three days ago asking them to inform the British Minister that the Russians are erecting forts in a certain place within the Tibetan border, and are evidently intending to oppose the British.

A high official who recently proposed to the Empress Dowager to follow Corea's example and engage a foreign financier was recently sent about his business in great wrath, the Empress declaring the finances of the State were much too important to be entrusted to a mere Western outsider.

THE PERAK SUGAR CULTIVATION COMPANY, LD.

The eighteenth annual general meeting of the above company was held at the company's offices Shanghai, on 16th inst. The reports and accounts as submitted were passed. A dividend of 5 per cent for the season ending 30th September, 1903, was declared, on the proposal of Mr. W. D. Little and seconded by Sir Charles Dudgeon, Mr. W. D. Little was re-elected a director of the company on the proposal of Mr. F. Anderson, seconded by Mr. J. M. Young; Mr. T. Brent proposed and Mr. A. J. Jones seconded that Mr. G. R. Wingrove be reappointed the company's auditor at a remuneration of Tls. 350 per annum. It was also resolved that the next annual general meeting of the company be held in the month of December. The full report is held over.

COMMERCIAL.

Advices from Shanghai, dated 16th December, report business done—North Chinas at Tls. 220. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharfs shares at Tls. 215 cash, and Tls. 215/217 for March. Yangtze Wharf and Godowns at Tls. 200. Indo-Chinas at Tls. 55/54 for December. Farnham, Boyds at Tls. 135 for December. Tls. 127 for March and Tls. 128 for April. Laou-Kung-Mows at Tls. 40. Maatschappijs at Tls. 310 cash, Tls. 315/312 for December, and Tls. 321/310 for March. Hall and Holtz at Tls. 33. Gas at Tls. 107. Telephones at Tls. 67. Mortuaries at Tls. 55. Astor Houses Debentures 8 per cent at Tls. 100.

FREIGHT.

In their circular, dated 19th inst, Messrs. Larne and Rogge write—

"The freight market is unchanged, and next to nothing is doing. Boats of the handiest size and the most suitable type continue unemployed for the reason simply that paying freights cannot be procured. Not only do rates rise disastrously low, but there is anyhow very little business traceable; there is an unusual scarcity of cargo in all the principal directions so that difficulties are being experienced also in making up occasional berth cargoes. All this accounts for quite a number of steamers being laid up."

Very few inquiries after tonnage have been on the market and a very small chartering business only has resulted during the fortnight under review, principally in coal freights, as follows:—

From Hongkong to Penang at \$2.00 per ton, from Kuchinozu to Hongkong at \$2.00 per ton, from a Southern Japan coal port to Hongkong at between \$1.65 and \$1.50 per ton. Details of reported freights are as per appended list of settlements.

From the rice ports nothing is doing for prompt. For the Saigon trade, to commence some time in January, German s.s. *Emma Layken* about 2,150 tons cargo deadweight capacity, fitted with all China coast trade requirements and Hongkong Government passenger license supplied by owners, has accepted a 6 months' time charter for native account as low as \$5,000 per month.

From Quang Chau Wan (Cochin-China) to Kobe, a boat is reported fixed for salt at \$2.50 per ton, whilst rates locally for cargo to Japan ports are no better than 11 to 10 cents per picul, and at that the supply is exceeding the demand.

Sailers.—No fresh fixtures have transpired. American bark *Helan A. Wyman* having completed her loading for New York, sailed on the 8th December.

British ship *Glendon* left in ballast on same date for Anjer, for orders.

There are no disengaged sailers in port. Saraw. bark *Vale of Doon* arrived from Rajang on 13th instant, but is engaged for a further trip from Rajang under a previous charter.

Sail-tonnage loading or to load—for Baltimore and New York:—

British bark *Brilliant*, arrived 24th October. For Callao:—

Italian bark *Lathair* to arrive from Callao.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

IN LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	8 5/16
" Bank Bills, on demand	181
" Credits, 4 months' sight	181
" D'ments 4 months' sight	181
ON BERLIN, (demand)	M. 1.73
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	213
" Credits, 4 months' sight	217
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	412
" Credits, 30 days' sight	412
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	125
" On demand	126
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	714
" Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	83
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.75
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	60.90
War Silver	25 5/16

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

Per chest	
MALWA NEW	970/950
" LAST YEAR	970/1,040
" OLDEST	1,050/1,100
PATNA NEW	1,104
BENARES NEW	1,104
PERIAN (PAPER)	810/850

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN."

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS, LAZARUS & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1533e]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG."

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as above, on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1533e]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK, VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903. About

"LOWTHER CASTLE"	24th Dec.
"SIKH"	12th Jan.
"SAGAMI"	26th Jan.
"AFRIDI"	9th Feb.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1533e]

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, SWATOW, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"AVOCA."

Captain W. A. Fausset, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1533e]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE."

Captain C. H. Burch, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1533e]

To-day's Advertisements.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Commodious Steamer "TAI ON" will run a SPECIAL TRIP TO MACAO, on SUNDAY, the 27th instant, leaving her usual Wharf West at 9 A.M. and return from Macao at 8.15 P.M. sharp.

TICKETS, RETURN FARE, \$2.

A Charitable Bazaar in aid of the Canossian Sisters of Charity will be held at the Public Gardens, San Francisco, (Praia Grande). Meals can be had on Board.

RTCHIE & CO. Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1533e]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will take place from Stonecutter Island (West and East Batteries) in a South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards, on the 1st January, 1904. If the weather is unfavourable on this date, practice will take place on the 2nd of January. Practice will commence at 9 A.M. and end about 11 A.M., if the Range is clear.

By Command, A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office. Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [1529e]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

WEDNESDAY, the 23rd December, 1903, commencing at 4 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUDDLE STREET, a QUANTITY OF CHINESE SILK EMBROIDERIES AND JAPANESE CUT VELVET PICTURES.

TERMS.—As customary. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [1528e]



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship "SIMLA." Captain F. R. Summers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 2nd instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Shipping—Steamers.

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AND
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TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DU
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRRHUS"	On 25th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 26th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 1st January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 8th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 14th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 22nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 28th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP	"PROMETHEUS"	On 22nd December.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP	"DARDANUS"	On 5th January.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP	"YANGTZE"	On 19th January.
*LIVERPOOL (With Transhipment at SINGAPORE).	"YANGTZE"	On 19th January.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"TYDEUS"	On 29th December.
	"PINGSUEY"	On 24th January.

S.S. "CALCHAS" from Tacoma is expected to leave Moji on 22nd inst. for Hongkong.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"CHANG"	21st December.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KWEIYANG"	23rd "
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	23rd "
SHANGHAI	"TAMU"	23rd "
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"TIENSIN"	24th "
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	30th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	30th "
KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	1st January.

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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 26th Dec., at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 2nd Jan., at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Notley	—	19 A.M.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1903.

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Dec. 24, 1903.
"INDRAVELLI"	4,809	R. P. Craven	Jan. 14, 1904.
"INDRAPURA"	4,809	A. E. Hollingsworth	Feb. 13,

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ROHILLA MARU	Ernest Bent	3,860	TUESDAY, 23rd December, 11 A.M.
ROSETTA MARU	H. S. Smith	3,876	SATURDAY, 26th December, 11 A.M.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1903.

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Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.
WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach
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Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [1073c]

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Meals \$1 each.The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-
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Hongkong, 30th May, 1903. [322c]FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHEDRAL APCAR"

Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant,
at 1 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1506c]IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER HAMBURG-AMERIKA
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO
AND YOKOHAMA.
The Imperial German Mail Steamship

"BAVERN"

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
Captain H. Pörmes, due here with the outward
German Mail about WEDNESDAY P.M., will
leave for the above places about 12/24 hours
after arrival.NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
For further Particulars, apply toMELCHERS & CO.,
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [563c]CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP
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CRUZ-MEXICO & SAN FRANCISCO.

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Captain Barton, will be despatched for the above
Ports, on THURSDAY, the 24th instant,
at Noon.For Freight, apply at the Company's Offices,
No. 20, Des Voeux Road.J. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [436c]THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW
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THE Company's Steamship

"HIMERA"

Captain Lockhart, will be despatched as above
on or about MONDAY, the 28th instant.

For Freight, etc., apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [1454c]"SHIRE" LINE STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE"

Captain J. M. Hafler, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on or about MONDAY,
the 28th instant.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [1500c]"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.
FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"GLENFARG"

Captain Holman, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 9th January, 1904.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1903. [1517c]

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LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant,
at Daylight.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [1523c]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be bonded out mark by
mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

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From Australia, ex S.S. Australia.
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B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
5 P.M. TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 25th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees
and the Company's representative at an
appointed hour.All Claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognised.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [4c]

S.S. "ANNAM"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s.
Bagdad, Sinai and Maroc, in connection
with above Steamer, are hereby informed that
their Goods, with the exception of Opium,
Treasure and Valuables are being landed
and stored at their risks into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery
may be obtained immediately after landing.Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before NOON, TO-DAY, the 15th instant, re-
questing it to be landed here.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed
after TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at Noon,
will be subject to rent and landing charges.All claims must be sent in to me on or before
the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognised.All damaged packages will be examined on
TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [1004c]FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"AMBRIA"

Captain Duckstein, having arrived from the
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-
DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and
stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 15th instant will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 19th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [1504c]FROM HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM,
ANTWERP, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"WURZBURG"

Captain von Binger, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
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countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited,
and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 21st instant will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1903. [1508c]

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TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg,
acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-
vatory:—On the 21st at 11.50. The barometer has
fallen over the E. coast of China and the
Loohooos, and continues to rise slowly over E.
Japan.The anticyclone is still central over China,
and pressure remains low to the N.E. of Japan.
Gradients have decreased on the China
coast, but continue steep over the China Sea.The monsoon will probably moderate in the
Fuzhou Channel. Strong monsoon gales over
the China Sea.

Forecast:—fresh to moderate N. winds; fine.

	Dec. 20 at 4 P.M.	Dec. 20 at 10 P.M.	Dec. 21 at 4 P.M.
Barometer	30.41	30.31	30.31
Temperature	56	60	60
Humidity	31	19	19
Rainfall	—	—	—

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER,
December 21st, 1903, a.m.

	Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind	W.
Vladivostok	7 a.m. 30.19	1	58	N	1
Nemuro	6 a.m. 29.69	—	—	W	6
Hakodate	" 29.85	—	—	—	—
Tokio	" 29.98	—	—	N	2</

Shipping.

Arrivals.
 Australian, Br. s.s., 2,338, McArthur, 19th Dec.,
 Sydney 25th Dec., and Manila 16th Dec.,
 Gen.—G. L. & Co.
 Thales, Br. s.s., 820, Robson, 19th Dec.,
 Foochow and Amoy 18th Dec., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Hip Sang, Br. s.s., 1,040, Stalker, 19th Dec.,
 Wuhu 13th Dec., and Chinkiang 14th,
 Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Amigo, Ger. s.s., 822, Hansen, 19th Dec.,
 Port Waller and Pakhoi 14th Dec., Coal
 and Gen.—J. & Co.
 Triumph, Ger. s.s., 769, Hansen, 19th Dec.,
 Haiphong 16th Dec., Rice—J. & Co.
 Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 98, Ogata, 19th Dec.,
 Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 18th Dec.,
 Gen.—O. S. K.
 Glenfalloch, Br. s.s., 1,434, Bainbridge, 19th
 Dec., Straits and Hoihow 10th Dec., Gen.—
 Joo Teck Seng.
 Paul Beau, Fr. s.s., 1,660, Frangeul, 19th Dec.,
 Singapore 12th Dec., Ballast—Chan
 Hewan.
 Kaga Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,907, Ohno, 20th Dec.,
 Shanghai 17th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
 Hue, Fr. s.s., 920, Godinard, 20th Dec.,
 Haiphong 16th Dec., Rice—A. R. M.
 M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 956, Brandt, 20th Dec.,
 Haiphong 16th Dec., and Hoihow 19th,
 Rice and Pigs—A. R. M.
 Kwanglee, Ch. s.s., 1,468, Lincoln, 20th Dec.,
 Shanghai 17th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Prometheus, Br. s.s., 3,583, Moir, 20th Dec.,
 Shanghai 17th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
 Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,230, Passmore, 20th Dec.,
 Swatow 19th Dec., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Szechuen, Br. s.s., 1,003, Hall, 20th Dec.,
 Tientsin and Chefoo 13th Dec., Ground-
 nuts—B. & S.
 Taiwan, Br. s.s., 1,109, Harder, 20th Dec.,
 Chinkiang 16th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
 Kweilin, Br. s.s., 1,072, McIntosh, 20th Dec.,
 Chinkiang 16th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
 China, Aust. s.s., 3,855, Svellich, 20th Dec.,
 Kobe and Moji 15th Dec., Gen.—S. W. & Co.
 Maiduru Maru, Jap. s.s., 667, Saitow, 20th
 Dec., Anping via Amoy and Swatow 19th
 Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.
 Ayr, Br. s.s., 1,055, Gibson, 20th Dec.,—Moji
 13th Dec., Coal—M. B. K.
 Trocas, Br. s.s., 2,657, Phillips, 20th Dec.,
 Singapore 10th Dec., Petroleum—A. K. &
 Co.
 Aragonia, Ger. s.s., 3,531, Forst, 20th Dec.,
 Shanghai 17th Dec., Gen.—H. A. L.
 Wosang, Br. s.s., 1,127, Malkin, 20th Dec.,
 Tientsin and Swatow 13th Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Loksang, Br. s.s., 900, Johns, 20th Dec.,
 Chinkiang 16th Dec., Ground-nuts—J. M. &
 Co.
 Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, Mitchell, 20th Dec.,
 Wuhu and Chinkiang 16th Dec., Gen.—J. M. &
 Co.
 Taishan, Ch. s.s., 1,216, Jamieson, 20th Dec.,
 Canton 19th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Tientsin, Br. s.s., 1,227, Gibbs, 20th Dec.,
 Canton 19th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
 Mongkut, Ger. s.s., 859, Götsche, 21st Dec.,
 Bangkok 12th Dec., Rice—B. & S.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Loisang, for Canton.
Szechuen, for Canton.
Glenfalloch, for Amoy.
Lehang, for Shanghai.
Kweilin, for Canton.
Hsiang, for Canton.
Fausang, for Canton.
Chan On, for Wuchow.
Chuanai, for Wuchow.
Pak Kong, for Macao.
Amara, for Swatow.
Duncan, for Kwong-chow-wan.
Wingchai, for Macao.
Ayr, for Moji.
Shakano Maru, for Kobe.
Wosang, for Canton.
Prometheus, for Singapore.
Daigi Maru, for Swatow.

Departures.

Dec. 20.
Glenroy, for Singapore.
Dec. 21.
Peimarch, for Kwong-chow-wan.
Kwongsang, for Shanghai.
Taishan, for Swatow.
Lyeemoo, for Shanghai.
Kuei-lin, for Canton.
Taiwan, for Canton.
Szechuen, for Canton.
Fausang, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.

Per China, from Kobe—Mr. and Mrs. Powys Love.
Per Taiwan, from Chinkiang—Mr. C. Howard.
Per Haiching, from Swatow—Mr. Boyo, 55 Chinese, and 5 Japanese.
Per Kwanlee, from Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Wei, and 16 Chinese.
Per Australia, from Sydney for Hongkong—Mrs. Bladen, Misses Warren and M. Scanlon.
From Timor—Messrs. Auther Eduardo F. Borda Costa, Silvestre d'Abreu and A. D. Quintas.
Per Kaga Maru, from Shanghai for Hongkong—Mrs. Hampshire, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stewart, Dr. J. R. Hobe, Messrs. S. Takeda, H. B. Darnell, Bycho, J. R. Murakoshi, T. Kato, Weltner, Johansen, Bunie and Krucker.

Passengers departed.

Per Zofiro, for Manila—Mrs. Parascovia Khamnoff, Mrs. Vera Yarnselinsky, Misses Nadesda, Libabeta, Sofia, and Lenboff Yarnselinsky, Mrs. Alice Cento, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Swilling, Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. H. E. Bradyn,

Mr. and Mrs. S. Stewart, Master J. A. M. Stewart, Capt. and Mrs. C. E. Trubridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lovine, Messrs. Adolph Khamnoff, Alex. Yarnselinsky, Alexica Yarnselinsky, Mikulin Yarnselinsky, Versille Gladcock, Ilia Detona, Evan Smerian, Vladimir Khamnoff, Wm. Wilson, Harry Cento, James P. Schooner, Shilemon, Kashinat V. Chaire and Indian Circus, Messrs. C. C. Yarnmoth, Emilin Macanaya Pacqui, G. A. Short, A. V. Appar, L. Prociob, C. Tashlib, S. Cyranby, T. C. Young, S. Timely, Kowson H. Lee, C. Crupis, C. Kite, G. Way, A. Sakson, K. Backman, Joseph Galvez, Manuel Uruico, J. Tackie, W. Croc, Oscar Chupier, L. Wink, S. Posa, Behit D. Valeriano, Manuel Santibanez, W. R. Brady, R. C. Baldwin, E. H. P. Snowden, A. Holiman, A. D. Twittler, Chas. Aspland and J. Kernan.

Per Tremont, for Tacoma, Wash.—Messrs. W. Bradley, E. D. Graham, C. Davis, F. McGregg, M. Degnon, and Mrs. C. Tozier. For San Francisco—Messrs. L. Davis, R. S. New, A. Arnold, C. K. Murphy, Mrs. F. Barker, and Mr. and Mrs. Newsom. For Seattle, Wash.—Mrs. R. S. Baird and child. For Yokohama—Mr. S. S. Thomas.

Shipping Reports.

Sir. Paul Beau from Singapore:—Very bad weather.

Sir. Szechuen from Chiefoo:—Strong N.E. winds, and fine weather throughout.

Sir. Taiwan from Chinkiang:—Fine throughout, with fresh monsoon in Formosa Strait.

Sir. Haiching from Swatow:—Fresh N.E. monsoon, moderate sea and fine clear weather.

Sir. Kueilin from Chinkiang:—Fresh monsoons to Lamocks, thence, with light winds, fine clear weather.

Sir. Hsiang from Chinkiang:—Fresh monsoon and rough sea in Formosa Strait, cloudy but fine throughout.

Sir. Australia from Sydney:—Fine weather and smooth sea till Mahila, from thence to arrival strong N.E. winds, and rough sea.

Sir. Glenfalloch from Straits:—Light to moderate N.W. winds to Tongking Gulf, and from thence strong monsoon with high sea, and dull gloomy overcast sky.

Sir. Thales from Foochow:—Strong monsoon, Amoy to Breaker Point strong N.E. monsoon, and high following sea, from thence to port light N.E. breeze and moderate sea.

Vessels in Port.

**Amara, Br. s.s., 1,565, Matlock, 16th Dec.,—Karatsu 11th Dec., Coal—J. M. & Co.
 Binh-Thuan, Fr. s.s., 984, Ribault, 15th Dec.,—Moji 10th Dec., Coal—B. & Co.
 Borneo, Ger. s.s., 2,168, Muhle, 17th Dec.,—Sandakan and Zumbanga 11th Dec.,—Timber and Gen.—M. & Co.
 Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 2,100, Souche, 11th Dec.,—Saigon 3rd Dec., Gen.—Wing Seng.
 Catherine Apper, Br. s.s., 1,730, Stewart, 15th Dec.,—Calcutta 28th Nov., Penang and Singapore 9th Dec., Gen.—D. S. & Co.
 Clavering, Br. s.s., 2,155, Barton, 11th Dec.,—Moji 6th Dec., Coal—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Decima, Ger. s.s., 794, Christiansen, 14th Dec.,—Moji 8th Dec., Coal—S. W. & Co.
 Elg, Norw. s.s., 738, Christophersen, 17th Dec.,—Amoy 15th Dec., Ballast—C. & Co.
 Guthrie, Br. s.s., 1,454, Dabell, 19th Dec.,—Melbourne 7th Nov., Sydney 18th, Newcastle 21st, Brisbane 23rd, Cairns 26th, Pigeon Island 28th, Thursday Island 29th, and Manila 12th Dec., Ballast—G. L. & Co.
 Hounslow, Br. s.s., 1,860, Adthead, 14th Dec.,—Moraran 2nd Dec., Coal—D. L. & Co. Ld.
 Indrasamba, Br. s.s., 3,366, Craven, 7th Dec.,—Portland, Or., via Moji 3rd Nov., Gen.—Allan Cameron.
 Kohschang, Ger. s.s., 1,293, Spiesen, 2nd Dec.,—Bangkok and Ang Hin 21st Nov., Rice—B. & S.
 Korea, Am. s.s., 1,651, Seabury, 14th Dec.,—San Francisco 18th Nov., and Shanghai 12th Dec., Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
 Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,200, Reuss, 15th Dec.,—Bangkok 5th Dec., Rice and Wood—B. & S.
 Mercedes, Br. s.s., 2,925, McGregor, 12th Dec.,—Wellington 17th Dec., Coal—Admiralty.
 Prima, Norw. s.s., 761, Meyer, 14th Dec.,—Manila 10th Dec., Ballast—S. W. & Co.
 Rohilla Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,399, Bent, 18th Dec.,—Manila 16th Dec., Gen.—T. K. K.
 Selun, Norw. s.s., 865, Fingelsen, 13th Dec.,—Canton 12th Dec., Gen.—E. A. F. Co.
 Shakano Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,064, Suista, 12th Dec.,—Moji 6th Dec., Coal—D. S. & Co. Ld.
 Simongan, Dut. s.s., 1,200, Tol, 19th Dec.,—Samarang 8th Dec., Sugar—Yuen Fat Hong.
 Sungkang, Br. s.s., 1,021, Outerbridge, 19th Dec.,—Manila 16th Dec., Hemp—B. & S.
 Tamsui, Br. s.s., 919, Eedy, 17th Dec.,—Shanghai and Amoy 12th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
 Tantar, Br. s.s., 4,425, Evans, 16th Dec.,—Vancouver 16th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Undine, Norw. s.s., 1,017, Torbjörnsen, 13th Dec.,—Moji 8th Dec., Coals—Order.
 Victoria, Am. s.s., 2,500, Truebridge, 13th Dec.,—Tacoma 16th Nov., Gen.—D. & Co. Ld.
 Würzburg, Ger. s.s., 3,246, Binzer, 15th Dec.,—Singapore 8th Dec., Gen.—H. A. L.**

SAILING VESSELS.

**Brilliant, Br. bq., 3,609, Cowlishaw, 23rd Oct.,—Shanghai 16th Oct., Gen.—S. O. Co.
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Steamers Expected.

Vessels From Agents Due
 Emp. of China, Shanghai, C. P. R. Co. Dec. 22
 Namsing, Singapore, J. M. & Co. Dec. 22
 Glenloch, Singapore, McG. & G. Dec. 22
 Bayern, Singapore, V. & Co. Dec. 23
 Gaelic, Japan, J. & O. Co. Dec. 24
 Perla, Manila, S. T. & Co. Dec. 24
 Tjilatjap, Moji, C. J. L. Dec. 24
 Calchas, Moji, C. J. L. Dec. 26
 Taiyuan, Sydney, B. & S. Dec. 27
 H'kong Maru, San Francisco, P. M. Co. Dec. 31
 Athenian, Vancouver, C. P. R. Co. Jan. 5
 China, San Francisco, P. M. Co. Jan. 10
 Indravelli, Portland, P. & A. Co. Jan. 19

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

H.M.S. Amphitrite, at Kowloon Dock.
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 H.M.S. Glory, " "
 Heim, " "
 Chuenfiao, " "
 Anpho, " "
 U.S.A.T. Sacramento, " "
 Hankow, " "
 Salamanca, " Cosmopolitan "

Ships Passed the Canal.

Outward:—13th November:—Satsuma, Yang Tzei, Hanyu, Queen Mary, Japan, Wurzburg, 17th November:—St. Klara, 20th November:—Bernicia, Hakai Maru, Dragonum, Anhui, Min, Ruddy, Auchenrag, St. George, 25th November:—Clavering, Albia, Glenloch, Innes, Clavering, Inland, 28th November:—Pyrrhus, Crusader, Tydus, 1st December:—Glycerin, Hovick Hall, Biondi, Breislow, Gloamin, Palermo, 4th December:—Awa Maru, Natsu, Polynesian, Chardoun, 8th December:—Carl Chenan, 12th December:—Keenun, Palm, 14th December:—Macduff, 16th December:—Glenyle, Kanagawa Maru, Sashien, Shanghai, 18th December:—Seneca, Ernest Simons, Kamakura Maru, Kintuck, Homeward:—13th November:—Vindobona, 4th December:—Preussen, 16th December:—Freiburg, 18th December:—Tantalus, Saxonia, 17th November:—Socotra, 17th November:—Seydlitz, Braemar, Rencleuch, 20th November:—Persia, 28th November:—Hitachi Maru, 1st December:—Agamemnon, Abyssinia, Kentmere, Jara, 4th December:—Idoneus, Borneo, 8th December:—Hakasa Maru, Koon, Paking, Diarwan, 12th December:—Brigade, 16th, 16th December:—Australia, 18th December:—Glenfurel, 21st December:—Java.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—

Manila:—Per Rohilla Maru, 22nd Dec., 10 A.M.
Bangkok:—Per Elizabeth Richmers, 22nd Dec., 11 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta:—Per China, 22nd Dec., 1 P.M.
Macao:—Per Heungshan, 22nd Dec., 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta:—Per Catherine Apper, 22nd Dec., 2 P.M.
Cebu and Iloilo:—Per Kweiyang, 22nd Dec., 3 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Samshui:—Per See Yuh, 22nd Dec., 3 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai:—Per Tintin, 22nd Dec., 4 P.M.
Canton:—Per Powan, 22nd Dec., 5 P.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong:—Per Triumph, 22nd Dec., 5 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Anping:—Per Maiduru Maru, 22nd Dec., 5 P.M.
Quong-chow-wan:—Per Macao, 22nd Dec., 5 P.M.
Canton:—Per Honan, 23rd Dec., 7.30 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin:—Per König Albert, 23rd Dec., 11 A.M.
Macao:—Per Heungshan, 23rd Dec., 1.15 P.M.
Manila:—Per Sungkang, 23rd Dec., 3 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Samshui:—Per See Yuh, 23rd Dec., 3 P.M.
Straits and Colombo:—Per Aragonia, 23rd Dec., 3 P.M.
Canton:—Per Kinsan, 23rd Dec., 5 P.M.
Macao:—Per Heungshan, 24th Dec., 1.15 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Samshui:—Per See Yuh, 24th Dec., 3 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco:—Per Korea, 24th Dec., 5 P.M.
Manila:—Per Rubi, 26th Dec., 9 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin:—Per Salasia, 26th Dec., 11 A.M.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne:—Per Chinglu, 30th Dec., 3 P.M.
Kobe:—Per Taiyuan, 1st Jan., 3 P.M.
Manila:—Per Zafiro, 2nd Jan., 9 A.M.

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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/ @ 1/8=\$18 for half year ending 30.6.1903.....	\$67 1/2
National Bank of China, Ltd.....	\$ 8	3/4=\$1.96 1/2 for 1902.....	\$30 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 1	None.....	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.....	\$ 100	31 per cent=\$32 per share for 1902.....	\$490 sa
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	15 %=\$1 for year ended 30.4.1903.....	\$75 sa.
North China In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902.....	Tls. 210 sa.
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.....	\$ 50	20 %=\$12 for 1901.....	\$135
Antion In. Office, Ltd.....	\$ 50	30 %=\$15 per share for 1902.....	\$175 sa.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1901.....	\$310
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901.....	\$38 b.
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.....	\$ 15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 30.6.1903.....	\$32 1/2
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902.....	\$76 1/2
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	10 % = \$5 per share for 1902.....	\$125
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903.....	\$30 sa.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending 30.6.1903.....	\$30 sa.
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.....	\$ 5	60 cts = 30/403.....	\$19 b.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902.....	Tls. 11 1/2 s.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Limited.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 2 % for 1903.....	Tls. 30
Do. Preference.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00.....	Tls. 52 1/2 s.
		Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75.....	Tls. 47 1/2 s.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901.....	\$105
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897.....	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	Fin. of 7 % for year ending 30.6.02.....	Tls. 60
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.....	\$ 11	None.....	\$1
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin.....	Fr. 350	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Frs. 60 for 1902.....	\$600 s.
Robt Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.....	£0.18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01.....	\$7
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.....	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03.....	Tls. 6 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	12 %=\$6 for 1 year 30.6.03.....	\$204 b.
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1-year ending 31.10.1903.....	Tls. 123 ex d. [b.]
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903.....	\$97 sa.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.....	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1902.....	\$38 s.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903.....	Tls. 220 sa.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	8 % =80 cents per share for 1902.....	\$9 1/2
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903.....	\$157
K'loon T'and & Building Co., Ltd.....	\$ 30	\$2.30 per share for 1902.....	\$35 b.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903.....	\$52 1/2 s.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1-year 1903.....	\$148
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai).....	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03.....	\$28 b.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai).....	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03.....	Tls. 13 1/2
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	9 per cent for 1902.....	\$11 b.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903.....	Tls. 103 1/2 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1902/1903.....	\$15 1/2 b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	8 % for period ended 31.10.1903.....	Tls. 35 ex d.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898.....	Tls. 45 b.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898.....	Tls. 40 sa.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00.....	Tls. 170 b.
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.....	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900.....	\$250
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	None.....	\$15
Shanghai Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share.....	Tls. 51 b.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	12 %=\$1.20 per share for 1902.....	\$25 s.
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.....	\$ 12	First year.....	\$8 sa.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903.....	\$14 1/2 sa.
Watkins, Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902.....	\$7 1/2 sa.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903.....	\$124 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.....	\$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903.....	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901.....	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902.....	\$145 b.
Gen. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	15 per cent=\$3.75 for 1902.....	\$48 b.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	Interim of \$4 for 1903.....	\$245
Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1903.....	\$320
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.....	\$ 6	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903.....	\$12 1/2 b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902.....	\$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.....	£0.12.6.	\$5 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.....	\$ 40	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03.....	\$9 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 10	\$29.70 }	\$210 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year.....	\$15 1/2 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	None.....	\$5 b.
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	None.....	\$15
William Powell, Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903.....	\$9
Maatschappij tot Mijn, Bosch en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited.....	Gulden 100	{ 5th interim dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.12.1903, making 20 for Tls. 35 for the year ending 31.10.03.....	Tls. 315 sa.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	First year.....	\$50
South China Morning Post, Ltd.....	\$ 25	First year.....	\$25
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